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ISSUE:

Enact a moratorium on food vending carts to allow the City to investigate and examine how these uses impact the City, businesses and property owners in West Valley City.

SYNOPSIS:

The moratorium would be in effect for six months to allow staff time to review and draft applicable standards for food vending carts that would be set forth in section 7-2-116 of the West Valley City Code.

BACKGROUND:

Currently the West Valley City code allows for food vending carts however very little standards apply to these uses. When the Code was first drafted most of the carts that were used were openair carts and they were not being used year round. Therefore, a time limit was not placed on this use as it was typically self-regulating. However, the trend seems to be going more towards enclosed food carts which can stay on a site all year round and making the use more permanent and not temporary as was originally intended.

After meeting with the West Valley City Fire Department, Building Inspection Department, Business Licensing, Code Enforcement and the Salt Lake Valley Health Department it was determined that some guidelines are necessary for this use if it is going to continue to be allowed.

Therefore, staff would like to review this use to possibly add time limits, award only a certain number of licenses for carts throughout the City, spacing requirements, cart size requirements, etc.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Staff recommend approval of this Ordinance.

SUBMITTED BY:

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